



Hampton Police Division Media Release

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SCHOOL BUS ATTACKER ARRESTED

On February 16, 2004, at approximately 3:54 pm, police responded to Benjamin Syms Middle School, located at 170 Fox Hill Road to investigate an assault on a student. Officers determined that three juveniles boarded a HRT bus stopped at the intersection of Silver Isles Blvd and Lorigan Lane and approached a 14 year old male passenger. They proceeded to assault the student and strike him with an object described as a handgun.

The operator of the school bus order the intruders off the bus, notified police and returned the injured student to Benjamin Syms Middle School. The student refused medical treatment for injuries related to the assault.

Investigators obtained petitions charging a 14 year old boy, residing in the 100 block of Silver Isles Blvd, with battery and brandishing. His 17 year old sister is charged with battery and a second juvenile girl has been identified with charges pending. The pellet pistol used during the attack was recovered and seized by police.

Corporal Jimmie Wideman will receive questions about this release at 757-727-6638.

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